

In response to a couple of queries about the learning tasks for Year 2 children this week:

Phonics

The sound exploration for phonics is A for this week. Best guess is to write the word given that contains the A sound (phoneme) under its correct spelling choice (grapheme). Using a dictionary to check after is great.

I will try uploading a phoneme spotter for additional practise (children reading a passage and highlighting all words that contain the A sound in different spelling – grapheme – choices.)

Dictation sentences – I will create a series of these for each sound. The children need to check they are also using the correct punctuation in these sentences.

Use the following for the A sound:

It is raining so they can't play out but maybe they can bake eight cupcakes.

The baby made a lot of noise all day.

There are trains and planes taking people on holiday.

Reading comprehension

I will try to upload another couple so there will be 3 per week.

Writing task

Refer back to the home learning letter for this week's "big" writing task: creating a story map/plan, add notes and key words, begin to write your animal story based on "Meerkat Mail". (You can look up YouTube, where there are videos of this book being read.) Once your own animal story is written, use your known phonics and sound mat and the tricky word mat to check spelling. Check punctuation. Read the story to someone. Illustrate it with a picture.

Topic

Refer back to the task suggestions based on creating a zoo. There are some fabulous virtual tours available on websites at the moment to support your creative ideas and matching writing.

<https://www.familydaystriedandtested.com/free-virtual-tours-of-world-museums-educational-sites-galleries-for-children>